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Marginal Column

By ZE'EV LAQUEUR

ONCE again they have put on 'Tovarisch' at the Sarah Bernhardt after all these years, while most of the other Paris theatres (a friend writes) are closed. Ralph B. Strassburger's four-year-old Worden won the semi-classic 'Prix du Prince Orange' at Longchamp. Those who have no horses in their stables at the moment, particularly Government employees who earn rather less than 25,000 francs a month, are wondering whether they will get M. Laniel's promised premium. Members of the Assemblée Nationale are getting ready for the special session which is to open on October 6 — only a week before Parliament would have been reconvened anyway.

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MEANWHILE, Messrs. Laniel and Bidault have yet to visit Ankara (this week) and Washington (probably next). Indo-China is to figure prominently in these talks, but the European Defence Community has remained the dominating topic. Parliament's Foreign Policy Commission is continuing its line of passive resistance to European unity, but this cannot, of course, go on indefinitely. Later in October, the Foreign Ministers of the six West European powers are to meet at the Hague, and M. Bidault will need to have his line worked out. Nor can he afford to ignore Adenauer's new proposals about the future of the Saar. Opinion is divided in the French Cabinet; Messrs. Reynaud, Pleven, Teitgen, as well as the M.R.P., favour closer European collaboration. The former de Gaullists, headed in the Government by M. Barrachin, are against it. So are the majority of the Radical Socialists who have just ended their annual party conference. The most outspoken is M. Daladier, who is again trying to make peace on the international scene. Fifteen years ago to the day he helped to make peace at Munich, and he is still hard at it.

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THE situation is complicated by the fact that, according to someone who should know, M. Bidault is grooming himself for the office of President, to be vacated in December. Consequently, he is said to be attempting to be on good terms with as many people as possible. Theoretically, M. Vincent Auriol can be re-elected for another seven-year-term by Parliament; such as happened to Grevy in the 1880's and to M. Lebrun in 1939. But in the prevailing political atmosphere, it is highly unlikely that a Socialist will be re-elected unless a hopeless impasse is reached in the voting.

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THE post of President is not considered one of the most important. According to Article 38 of the Constitution, 'every act of the President of the Republic must be countersigned by the President of the Council of Ministers and by a Minister'. Clemenceau, in his usual irreverent manner, said that he always voted for the most stupid among the candidates. That was an exaggeration, otherwise he would hardly have run for office himself. (He failed.) The position has, in fact, become slightly more important in the Fourth Republic than it was in the Third. In retrospect, it appears that it might have been a blessing if General de Gaulle's proposal to strengthen the Presidency had not been rejected in 1947.

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THE French Cabinet has made acceptance of the European Defence Treaty dependent on the settlement of the Saar problem, and, if possible British occupation — an attitude among the majority of Ministers which cannot be said to show any large measure of political perspicacity. The only means to prevent the establishment of a West German army is an agreement between the U.S. and Russia, seemingly out of the question, particularly if the Russians refuse to come to Lugano. The resulting dilemma is whether the new West German army should be more or less independent or integrated into some larger scheme — such as, for example, the East German army. The result of the French policy of procrastination on the European Defence Treaty issue will not be to delay German rearmament but to bring about the establishment of independent German forces — a far more disconcerting prospect.

Jerusalem, September 29.

USSR Hedges in Reply To Lugano Invitation

MOSCOW, Monday (Reuter). The USSR replied tonight to the Western powers' invitation to a meeting of the four Foreign Ministers at Lugano, Switzerland, on October 15 to consider the questions of Germany and Austria. The reply was understood to contain neither a definite acceptance nor rejection of the invitation, but to present a series of reservations.

The Soviet Foreign Ministry sent the note to the U.S., British and French Embassies here. None of the Embassies would comment immediately on its contents.

(Reliable sources in Washington believed that the note included a counter-proposal for a Big Five conference including China. This would mean a virtual rejection of the West's offer, since the U.S., Britain and France had previously turned down the inclusion of Peking).

AUSTRIAN REQUEST

PARIS, Monday (Reuter). — Austrian Chancellor Julius Raab today asked France to back Austria's request for participation in future Big Four negotiations on the Austrian state treaty.

Dr. Raab arrived here accompanied by Foreign Minister Karl Gruber for a two-day official visit at the invitation of the French Government. Austrian quarters here said that the Chancellor plans to visit Washington, Rome, Berne and London during the next few months.

Churchill Denies Plan For Talks Dropped

LONDON, Monday (UP). — Prime Minister Winston Churchill issued a special statement today asserting that he has carried on with his job ever since he became ill last June and indicating that he intends to remain in office for the foreseeable future.

Sir Winston emphasized that he has never backed down from his call for a meeting of Big Four chiefs of state on world issues — a meeting which, he is known to feel, might crown his long career by lessening East-West tension.

No Differences

The Premier also denied reports that there were differences between him and his Cabinet colleagues on the question of a meeting.

The Premier's statement followed a demand made by the left-wing Labour-leader, Mr. Aneurin Bevan, last night at Margate, demanding that if Sir Winston "is unable to do his duty, he should resign."

Sir Winston and Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden will both return to London by air on Wednesday from their holiday in Europe, it was announced here today.

TIME NOT RIPE

WASHINGTON, Monday (UP) — The State Department said today that the Eisenhower Administration had never ruled out a meeting of the big four heads of state, but added that such a conference does not appear advisable now.

A Department spokesman made the statement when asked for comment on a statement issued today by Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

Pinay Thinks France May Ratify E.D.C. Treaty

NEW YORK, Monday (UP). — Former French Premier Antoine Pinay said on his arrival here from Montreal today that he believed there was a "good chance" of his country's ratifying the European Defence Community pact.

"If the necessary effort to enlighten French public opinion about the European Army is made, and if the necessary guarantees are given, there is a good chance for ratification," he stated.

M. Pinay listed the necessary guarantees as settlement of the Saar question, some participation on the part of the British, and additional protocols.

U.S. Grant Allocation Due This Week

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK, Monday. — Israel this week can expect its first allocation in the neighbourhood of $10m. from the new American Grant-in-Aid. Another, slightly larger, is expected in the next fortnight.

The total grant to Israel in the 1954 fiscal year is still unknown, and might not be announced until the last project is approved and the cheque delivered.

Israel is working under the assumption that the $67.5m. allocated by the State Department at Congressional hearings will be forthcoming.

It is known, however, that $25m. of the $45m. emergency aid to Iran came from the Middle East account. Whether this will be made up later from unspent funds elsewhere, depends on Mr. Bruce McDaniel's talks in Jerusalem, political discussions at the State Department, the general atmosphere of Arab-Israel relations and how tightly Mr. Harold Stassen draws his purse strings.

Since Congress refused to raise the American National Debt limit, orders have gone out to all Government Departments to delay expenditure as much as possible.

Semeonov Named USSR Envoy to E. Germany

BERLIN, Monday (Reuter). — Soviet High Commissioner for Germany, Vladimir Semeonov, has been appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the East German Democratic Republic, the East German news agency ADN reported from Moscow today.

America Undecided On Korean Policy

WASHINGTON, Monday (UP). — The State Department said today that it was still trying to work out the attitude it will take up at the Korean political conference with reference to the future of the peninsula.

Commenting on a report from Seoul that the U.S. would call for neutralization and unification of North and South Korea, Mr. Lincoln White, State Department spokesman, said: "There is as yet no U.S. plan for Korea. The U.S., in anticipation of the political conference, is exploring various ideas.

South Korean President Rhee, in an interview with a "New York Times" correspondent, today criticized a proposal on the future of Korea reported to have been prepared by the U.S. for the Korean Peace Conference.

The correspondent said in a dispatch from Seoul that Rhee was also sharply critical of the Allies for planning a solution of the Korean question without first consulting the South Korean Government.

Britain, France and Canada were stated to be supporting the U.S. proposal. Among its reported provisions is a call for the neutralization and unification of North and South Korea and the withdrawal of all foreign troops, together with mutual safeguards against aggression.

"We cannot take seriously any proposal for the neutralization of Korea as long as we have powerful aggressor nations which are left unpunished and unconverted from their violent ways," Rhee was quoted as saying.

Rhee was quoted as saying again that if within 90 days after it began the political conference will have "failed to achieve the objective of Korean unification, then naturally we shall resume the battle for our national independence and unity." He added: "We expect, and we have no reason so far to believe otherwise, that all friendly forces now in Korea will assist us towards that objective if the Communists force us to resume the war."

Meanwhile, the Department announced today that the security pact with South Korea would be signed here on Thursday.

The treaty was initialled in Seoul last August 7 and its signing here is a formality. But it still has to be ratified by Congress.

British Labour Parley Rejects Criticism of US

MARGATE, Monday (Reuter). — The Labour Party's Annual Conference by a substantial majority today rejected left-wing motions critical of U.S. policy on the cold war and East-West trade.

By a show of hands vote, the 1,300 delegates in the opening session of their week-long meeting supported the line recommended by Labour's governing committee — the National Executive — which merely "deplored the failure of the Western powers to maintain the initiative in breaking the East-West deadlock." No voting figures were announced.

A succession of left-wing followers of Mr. Aneurin Bevan tried to persuade the Conference to back an amendment complaining that large sections of industry had been diverted to arms manufacture, thereby increasing British dependence on America. The amendment asked for an immediate reduction of arms.

Trade Policy

The second defeated amendment sought a change of policy which would materially expand East-West trade and end restrictions on trade with East Europe and China.

Miss Margaret Herbis of the National Executive flung back left-wing charges that America was the stumbling block in East-West trade. She pointed out that it was a Labour Government and subsequently the U.N. which had imposed embargoes on export of strategic materials to Communist countries.

Former Labour Minister Philip Noel-Baker, one of the moderates urged, Premier Churchill to go to the United Nations in New York and there propose a high-level Big Four meeting with President Eisenhower, French Premier Joseph Laniel and Soviet Premier Georgi Malenkov. If Sir Winston did that, he said, the President and M. Laniel would have to agree.

Bennike to Study Govt's Views on Huleh

The following joint communique was issued by the Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Moshe Sharett, and the U.N. Chief of Staff, Maj. Gen. Vagn Bennike, after a meeting held yesterday at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs in Jerusalem:

"General Bennike called today at 3.30 p.m. on the Minister for Foreign Affairs at the latter's request. The Minister furnished additional clarification on the views of the Israel Government on matters connected with the B'not Ya'acov canal project. General Bennike said that he would study the matter and would hold another meeting with Mr. Sharett in a few days' time.

"Also present at the meeting were General Bennike's Political Advisor, M. Henri Vigier, his Legal Advisor, Mr. Scrup, and Col. McAninch, as well as Aluf Moshe Dayan, Sgan-Aluf A. Shalev, Staff Officer in Charge of the Israel Delegations to the Mixed Armistice Commissions, Mr. G. Rafael and Mr. Yosef Tekoah, of the Foreign Ministry."

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Eban, Shiloah See High U.S. Officials

WASHINGTON, Monday (UP).— Israel Ambassador Abba Eban called a high State Department officials today to introduce a new member of his Embassy staff and discuss general problems. Mr. Eban took Mr. Reuven Shiloah, new Israel Minister Plenipotentiary, to meet Under Secretary of State Walter Bedell Smith and Mr. Robert Murphy, Assistant Secretary for United Nations Affairs.

The Israel Ambassador said, after the visit, that he "discussed informally several problems." One involved the Israel-Syrian dispute over the digging of a canal in the demilitarized zone near the Syrian border. Mr. Eban stated only that his nation is handling the matter through U.N. channels.

Jordan May Discuss Plan to Share Water

The first official hint that one of the three Arab countries with which Israel has repeatedly suggested negotiations on the fair distribution of water sources is ready to begin such negotiation, came from Amman on Sunday night, according to the Old City daily, "A-Diffa."

The suggestion was included in a report submitted to the Jordan Cabinet by the director of the Jordan Land and Survey Department, reviewing the question of Israel's alleged diversion of the Jordan River.

Outlining the "enormous damage" which is apt to result from Israel's proposed re-routing of 400 million cubic metres of water from the upper Jordan annually, the Land Director said that "it would be in the interest of Jordan to use Lake Tiberias as a reservoir for the Yarmuk waters as well."

May Accept Jordan

In this way, (meaning an Israel concession) it is believed that the Israel Government would be ready to alter its major Jordan River scheme in such a way as to accept Jordan as a regional partner for the use of the waters of the Jordan and the Yarmuk alike.

Sources close to the Israel Foreign Ministry believed that the Jordan Land and Survey Director was referring to the recommendations of a Greek expert who studied the Jordan problem, and report by a British firm recently contracted by the Jordan Government to study the question.

These sources reiterate that Israel would be willing to participate in a scheme providing for just distribution of regional water resources, taking into consideration the particular requirements of each of the four countries.

More Big Machines In Use at Huleh

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TIBERIAS, Monday. — Additional heavy equipment was brought up to the Huleh drainage area by Solel Boneh today, and was immediately put into operation to speed up the work. The equipment includes a special rock and earth mover.

The day passed quietly, and nothing unusual was noted from the Syrian side. It is now thought certain that the Syrians will be unable to divert the Banias River, since in order to go ahead with their plan, they would have to dig a tunnel through the hills of Bashan and special heavy equipment would be needed for this operation.

Experts thought that the only easy way to divert the Banias would be to re-route it into the Mediterranean. In doing so, however, the Syrians would be cutting their nose to spite their face, as they would thus deprive themselves of any use of the Banias waters.

Syrians Must Surrender Arms

The Syrian Government has prohibited the carrying of all kinds of arms, licensed and unlicensed, until after the elections on October 9, it was officially announced in Damascus yesterday.

Severe punishment will await those who fail to surrender their arms by the end of this week, Radio Damascus said.

This move follows upon an armed clash between friends of two rival candidates at Nabat during which 20 persons were injured, ten seriously, before police intervened.

Manoeuvres Begin

Army, Navy, and Air Force manoeuvres are to begin today in the Hartuv area.

Egypt Accepts Most British Proposals for Suez Solution

'Uniforms' Lone Disputed Issue

CAIRO, Monday (Reuter). — An authoritative Egyptian said today that Egypt had accepted all British proposals for a settlement of the Suez Canal base problems except that British technicians remaining behind should wear uniform.

The source added that Egypt had agreed on the evacuation of combat troops in a period of 18 months, that 4,000 British technicians should help to maintain the base for a period of three years, and on Allied reentry to the base in the event of aggression against a member state of the Arab League.

"But we cannot accept Britain's proposal that the technicians who stay behind should wear uniform," the source added. "The talks which have so far been most successful may founder on this point, for we shall never be able to convince the Egyptian people that the withdrawal of British troops from the Canal Zone is complete."

Egyptian Commander

An Egyptian Army General would take over the Canal Base assisted by a British military adviser, it was authoritatively stated.

The tenth of a series of secret informal talks on the future of the base was held today between Egyptian leaders and General Sir Brian Robertson, former C.-in-C. of British forces in the Middle East, and Mr. Robert Hankey, British Charge d'Affaires here.

The Council of the Revolution has decided to reorganize the Liberation Rally movement which backs the Nagib regime, Major Salah Salem, Minister of National Guidance, announced early today. Political observers here believe that Egypt is heading towards a one-party system of government.

Major Salem also announced that the Council has decided to confiscate ex-King Farouk's multi-million assets in Egypt. Farouk possessed many palaces, rest houses, a fleet of yachts, cars and big estates.

London Sees 'Dress' Issue Important

LONDON, Monday. — Reliable British sources tonight confirmed that only the problem of Army uniforms remains to be solved before complete settlement of the Suez dispute.

These sources also confirmed Cairo reports that Britain agrees to withdraw 80,000 troops from the Canal Zone within 18 months provided that she can leave 4,000 technicians behind to guard and maintain the vital waterway.

But the War Office wants the technicians to wear military uniforms, to which the Egyptians object. Britain attaches importance to this point, believing that if the army technicians were to be left behind in mufti, it would create several problems, among them those of discipline and control.

Otherwise, reliable informants said that an agreement has been reached "in principle," although the Foreign Office would say only that "no agreement has been reached."

(UP, Reuter)

Abu Ghosh Exiles Win Order Nisi

An *order nisi* was issued yesterday by the High Court in Jerusalem ordering the Inspector General of Police and the Military Commander of the Jerusalem Corridor to show cause why the four Abu Ghosh notables they had banished should not be allowed to return to their village.

The respondents were also asked to show cause why the four Arabs should not be freed from the obligation to report daily to the police and why the curfew imposed on two Abu Ghosh notables in Nazareth should not be lifted.

Mr. S. Tamir, who represented the petitioners, expressed the belief that the banishment had been ordered by the police alone, and that the Army's role in the affair had been merely technical. He felt that the decision had been influenced, not by considerations of security but rather by the problem of land transfer.

The Courtroom was crowded to capacity with Abu Ghosh residents.

Polish Primate Ousted

LONDON, Monday (Reuter). — According to Warsaw Radio, the Polish Government announced tonight that the Primate of Poland, Cardinal Wyszinski, had been suspended from his duties for abusing his authority and engaging in activities against the State. He has been "allowed to retire to a monastery."

CZECHS CUT PRICES

VIENNA, Monday (Reuter). — Czechoslovakia announced today that retail prices of food and consumer goods will be cut by five to 40% from October, according to Prague Radio.

Anglo-Egyptian Rift Near Accord—Malik

UNITED NATIONS, Monday (Reuter). — Anglo-Egyptian problems appeared to be on the way to a final settlement, Lebanese delegate Charles Malik told the U.N. General Assembly today.

He said that this was largely due to the "wisdom, firmness and high principles of the Egyptian Revolutionary Government under Nagib."

Lebanon Demands U.N. Act on J'lem

UNITED NATIONS, Monday (Reuter). — Charles Malik of the Lebanon told the General Assembly today that "the everlasting question of Palestine continues to be our greatest tribulation in the Near East."

Malik spoke as the Assembly entered the final stages of its general debate. It is expected that the Political Committee will meet either tomorrow or Wednesday.

"No light nor any promise of one appears to be breaking into the situation," Malik declared. "In fact, there is a hardening of feeling and position on both sides, and a cynical belief that for the long as well as for the short run only force avails."

Two Possibilities

Malik said he has been informed that the missions of the U.S., Britain, France and several other Western European and Latin American Governments had refused to move to Jerusalem. But there were only two possibilities: either the great powers had to do "something decisive" soon to bring about effective internationalization of Jerusalem or all missions must sooner or later transfer to Jerusalem.

The Lebanese delegate accused the U.S. and Britain of "either directly or indirectly encouraging Israel to disregard the Assembly decision on the internationalization of Jerusalem. Scarcely was the decision in 1949 taken, "according to which Israel could not set up her capital in Jerusalem, when the Israel authorities, in blatant defiance of that decision, announced that Jerusalem was their capital from eternity to eternity."

"Dynamic Zionism"

Malik added that "dynamic Zionism will never rest until it has secured the Old City."

Discussing the Arab refugee question, Malik stated, "The solemn resolution of the General Assembly with respect to them should be honoured. Those of them who choose not to return to their homes or who, after returning, decided for one reason or another to emigrate again, should be peacefully resettled elsewhere. The frozen monies should be unfrozen and adequate compensation should be given those who wish to relinquish their property in Palestine."

Sen. Knowland Sees Egyptian Leaders

CAIRO, Monday (UP). — Senate Majority Leader William Knowland called on Foreign Minister Mahmoud Fawzi today in company with U.S. Ambassador Jefferson Caffery.

Mr. Knowland, who is staying in Cairo for two days during his world tour, said afterwards that he had a "most interesting" talk with Fawzi. Later, he met with President Nagib.

Mr. Knowland leaves by air for London tomorrow.

3 Tunisians to Die For Murdering Prince

TUNIS, Monday (Reuter). — Two Tunisians, Hedi Ben Ibrahim Djeribi and Salah Ben Hamda, were sentenced to death here today for shooting Prince Iz e-Din, heir to the Bey of Tunis Sidi Lamine, last July 1.

A third man, Mohammed Ben Ati, described in Court as the "master mind" behind the murder, was sentenced to death in his absence.

Truman Urges Drive Against U.S. Return to Isolationism

NEW YORK, Monday (Reuter). — Former President Harry Truman tonight called for a drive against the "return to isolationism" in the U.S. and a strengthening of the "grand alliance of free men."

The ex-President said at a dinner here that the U.S. should "show our leadership by setting our faces sternly against false prophets here and abroad."

He listed the basic pillars of American foreign policy as:

- Support of the United Nations, of NATO, of European unity, of Pacific alliances and of the Rio Pact (the mutual security pact signed by 18 Latin American countries in 1947).
- A really strong defence.
- A renewed and reinvigorated reciprocal trade programme.
- Technical assistance and economic aid for under-developed countries.
- "Willingness, in firm agreement with our allies and from a position of united strength to seek in all sincerity solutions of our differences with the Soviet bloc through patient and peaceful negotiation.

The U.S., he stressed, "must have sympathy with and understanding for our friends even when they differ with us," for this was in the interest of the U.S. "Only the whole free community combined is strong enough and big enough to meet the threat to freedom," he declared.

Mr. Truman, who at the dinner, received the "Four Freedoms Award" from his former Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, warned that "all across our country there are people at work stirring up suspicion of the U.N., of our allies and of our own public servants."

"It is not so very different from the ugly tactics of the diehard isolationists of 12 years ago. Indeed, here are basically the same people, the same faces, the old isolationists — become by dint of circumstances the new nationalists, the new imperialists. Happily, they do not and never have represented the will and spirit of the American people," he added.

NEW ARMY CHIEF

WASHINGTON, Monday (Reuter). — General William Hoge was today named Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Army in Europe, succeeding Gen. Bolte who becomes Army Vice-Chief of Staff.

Histadrut Enterprises Defended

By JESSIE ZEL LURIE,
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK, Monday — Mr. Harold J. Goldenberg, Director of the Israel Government Centre, defended the Histadrut business enterprises at the closing session of the Bond conference here yesterday afternoon.

He gave several examples of the Histadrut taking over bankrupt industries, and thus furthering Israel's development, where private investment had failed.

Describing himself as a "capitalist who believes in free enterprise," Mr. Goldenberg described the Histadrut as "this tremendous organisation without which we would not have Israel today... Some rumours of the Histadrut's control of business could be described as canards."

Mr. Leon H. Keyser, Chairman of former President Truman's Council of Economic Advisers, told the Conference that Israel's improving economic position provided the basis for the flotation of the second Israel Bond issue in the U.S.

"Israel is now in a much better position than before" to fulfil its economic objectives, Mr. Keyser said.

Congressman Emanuel Celler told delegates that he felt the Eisenhower Administration would make a mistake if it sent arms to Arab States as this would "strike against peace."

The women's division of the Bond Drive met here today, and installed Mrs. Alex Lowenthalg of Pittsburgh, as their head in the place of Mrs. Judith Epstein who is returning to her work with Hadassah.

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RICHER FLAVOUR THROUGH MACEDONIAN TOBACCO

Social & Personal

The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi visited the Middle East Oil Refinery Factory and the Fertilisers and Chemicals Company in Haifa yesterday.

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Mr. S. Merben, representing the Luxembourg Economic Minister at the Conquest of the Desert Exhibition, called on Foreign Minister Sharett yesterday to express his high opinion of the Exhibition.

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The Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, yesterday received Mr. Joseph Adler, the Brazilian Zionist leader, who reported on the Zionist Movement there and the investments of Brazilian Jewry in Israel.

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Lt.-General Sir Brian G. Horrocks, a former British Corps Commander in North Africa and at present military correspondent of the "Sunday Times", arrived for a fortnight's visit as the guest of the Army.

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Dr. Heinz Gruenbaum, Executive Vice-President of the Palestine Economic Corporation — U.S.A. left for Europe this morning on board an S.A.S. plane.

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Mr. J. P. Trevelee, who was in Israel as a guest of the Government Meteorological Service, left for Istanbul yesterday.

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Dr. Sung Bum Yun, Professor of Theology at the University of Pusan, South Korea, arrived here yesterday by SAS for a short stay on his way to Europe.

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Mrs. Gurit Kadman, of the Israel Folk Dance Committee, has returned from Europe after attending the Congress and festival of the International Folk Music and Dance Council at Biarritz.

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Four hundred veterans of the British Navy held a reunion on Carmel Beach, Haifa, on Sunday night.

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Dr. L. Adlerstein of Tel Aviv has returned from Germany where he dealt with compensation claims.

BIRTH

GOLDSTEIN — To Stella, nee Cukier, wife of Mr. Dolphy Goldstein, on Saturday, September, 26, 1953, in Milano, 1, Via Locatelli—a son.

MARRIAGE

Gorenstein—Kadman

The wedding took place in New York on September 26, 1953, between Mr. Arie (Artie) Gorenstein of New York, and Miss Ayala Kadman of Tel Aviv.

UZIEL MEMORIAL MONTH

The month of Heshvan (October 10-November 7) has been declared a "Month of Devotion" in memory of the late Chief Rabbi Uziel, the Ministry of Religious Affairs has announced.

Where to go

JERUSALEM

★ **Lecture:—**
"L'Administration de la Resistance": M.R. Bourdeau de Fontenay, Director National of Administration, Paris; Centre de Culture Francaise, 3 Rehov Ben Yehuda, 6 p.m.

★ **Tour:—**
Hebrew University conducted tour: Terra Sancta; Room 13; 10 a.m.

★ **Archaeology:—**
Permanent exhibition, Dept. of Antiquities, 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech, 9-1.

★ **Exhibitions:—**
Oil paintings by Harry Philippe; "Art of China and Japan"; "Convalescence" by Joseph Israels; Dutch graphics of the Van Vriesland Memorial Graphic Collection, Besalel National Museum, 10-1.
Autumn Exhibition of Jerusalem artists and a one-man show by Joseph Stern, Artists House; 10-1; 4-6.

★ **Film Shows:—**
Keren Hayesod, 11.30-12.30.

TEL AVIV

★ **Exhibitions:—**
"Fifty Years of Modern French Painting"; Tel Aviv Museum; Daily, 10-1; 4-7.
Tools and implements produced in Israel. Sponsored by Ministry of Commerce and Industry; Bet Hadar; 9-6.

★ **Theatre:—**
"The Importance of Being Earnest"; Chamber Theatre, Mograbi; 7 & 9.15 p.m.

HAIFA

★ **Exhibitions:—**
Exhibition of paintings by Erna Swadron (New York) and Dov Lippmann (Tel Aviv, Ringart's Bookshop, Central Carmel, 8-1, 4-7 p.m.

EMERGENCY PHARMACIES

JERUSALEM: Ben Yehuda, 7 Ben Yehuda, 2811, Hat'hiya, Rehov Geula, 2442.
TEL AVIV: Rothberg, 32 Allenby 2356, Michlin, 113 Allenby, 3283, Shor, 54 King George, 62666, Merkaz Hatzafon, 200 Ben Yehuda, 22923, Baruch, Hatikva Qr., 67455.
JAFFA: Gelipha, 19 Rehov 4, 80429.
RAMAT GAN: Amit, 120 Hamodim.
GIVATAYIM: Noga, opp. Fire Brigade.
HAIFA: Pevzner, 37 Pevzner, 4073, Hakochav, 28 Wadi Salib.
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German Pressmen Fear Censorship

BONN, Monday (Reuter). — German journalists appealed to the West German Government and Parliament on Friday to prevent the setting up of a new Information Ministry "which might infringe on press freedom."

The Association of German Journalists Accredited to Parliament adopted a resolution noting with "anxiety and disquiet the open attempt to set up an Information Ministry." They see no need for the establishment of such a Ministry which is an unusual one in a democratic state.

"An Information Ministry could strengthen tendencies to reduce the freedom and independence of things as publicity," they said.

Press reports and Bonn politicians have increasingly spoken of a possible new Ministry which would combine the work of the present Government Information Office, the press and information work of the Ministry for All-German Affairs and the Federal Office for Internal Services which propagates Government views and information within the country.

People in the News

British Test Pilot Mike Lithgow who has broken the world's air speed record by flying 1,183 kph, leaves from the cockpit of his Supermarine Swift jet fighter just before taking-off over a desert course, 40 miles south of Castle Idris airfield, North Africa. Express Photo

Yesterday's Press

600,000 American Jews Have Bought Israel Independence Bonds

Commenting on the Israel Bonds Conference in Washington "Davar (Histadrut) notes that 600,000 American Jews have to date bought Independence Bonds. The paper stresses the importance of the Bond Drive for the sake of economic development, mentioning particularly the exploitation of mineral resources in the Negev and the vast irrigation projects.

"Hatzofe" (World Mizrahi Union) says that for the first time representatives of the American Government have not taken part in such a Conference because they are afraid that such a gesture might be misunderstood by the Nagib-Shishakly and Co. While "Hatzofe" merely transferred the Conference from Washington to New York, "Kol Ha'am" (Communist) produced several "additions" to speeches, notably, "Morgenthau announces the mobilization of 250,000 Israel youngsters for the American war against the Soviet Union."

"Bad Press"

"Zmanim" (Progressive) says that the Independence Bond Drive has in the past had a "bad press" for various reasons. Its achievements have thus been largely overshadowed by various criticisms.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) comments on the meeting between Mr. John Foster Dulles and Mr. Abba Eban against the background of the State Department's new pro-Arab tendency. The paper complains that the Foreign Ministry still appears to be interested in the schemes for the defence of the Middle East, and sees a confirmation of its conjecture in the Israel Ambassador's declaration after his meeting that "the whole issue of Middle East security was dealt with." The paper says that from the Israel point of view only one security problem exists: Arab League aggression against Israel supported by Washington American imperialism, logically enough, helps reactionary and fascist regimes in the Arab countries.

"Hamodia" (Agudat Yisrael) says that it fails to understand General Bennike's recent decision, but prefers for the time being not to charge him with a one-sided attitude but rather with the superficial examination of a complicated issue. The paper expresses the hope that after further investigation and deliberations at the U.N. or elsewhere, the decision will be modified.

"Herut" sharply attacks searches which according to an Arab radio, have been carried out on Mount Scopus. The paper lays the main responsibility for the turn events have taken at the door of the Foreign Ministry which it says has done next to nothing to implement Paragraph 8 of the Armistice Agreement (free access to Mount Scopus), and has not protested or acted against countless Arab violations of the Agreement (not least the return of hundreds of inhabitants to Isawiya village.) "There is only one way out of the impasse — and the Mapai leaders will never be able to take that course."

Unified Education

"Haboker" (General Zionist) asks whether the law providing for unified State education will be fully carried out. The paper draws attention to the fact that in some schools teachers will give talks on the meaning of May Day, which the paper considers incompatible with the spirit of the Law.

"Zmanim" criticizes the Manufacturers' Association's demand to discontinue the payment of the C.-o.-L. allowance. The paper says that this bonus has served to prevent a wage cut in face of the increase in prices and the devaluation of money. The paper thinks that the Government might ask for "credit" from wage earners within the framework of a general economic stabilisation programme, but not without parallel sacrifices from other sections of the population.

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 467 M.; HAIFA: 249 M.; TEL AVIV: 33.3, 41.9 & 202 M

FIRST PROGRAMME

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30, 6.15 & 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8 a.m., 2.15 & 6.15 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 8.30 Close Down.
12.00 N. "Music at Noon" (R). 12.30 Housewives' Corner. 12.50 Programme for Hospitals. 1.45 Break for Music (R). 3.00 Close Down.

3.30 Maccabiah Close. 5.15 Light Music (R). 5.30 Language Corner. 5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 The Voice of Lili Pona. 7.35 Sports. 7.45 Noah's Ark. 8.45 Newsreel. 9.00 "Kol Yisrael" Orchestra, "Kol Zion Lagola" Vocal Group. Conductor: George Singer. Soloists: Virginia Davis and Bernard Michelin: "The Vision of Isaiah" (Orrad); Italian Dances (d'Ambrosio); Cello Concerto (Saint-Saens); "Finlandia" (Sibelius). 10.30 Requests (R). 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

400, 220, 216, 41.9 M.

English News: 1.45 p.m., 10.45 p.m.

4.00 p.m. Music (R). 5.00 Programme for Yemenites. 5.20 Succot Programme. 5.30 Literature Corner. 6.00 Programme for Housewives. 6.15 Close Down.

IMMIGRANTS HOUR (33.3, 34.9 & 450 M.): **French:** 6.30 p.m. **Ladino:** 7.00 p.m. **Yiddish:** 7.30 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA: (32.5 M.): 11.15-12 Midnight: Newsreel: Maccabiah Report: Folk Dances.

ARMY PROGRAMME (44.6, 216, 225 & 229 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 "Bow and Arrow." 7.00 Musical Diary. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 Light Music (R). 7.45 Noah's Ark. 8.30 News. 8.45 War Times. 9.00 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

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At The Cinema

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Dreiser's Arabian Night

WHO would expect the late Theodore Dreiser (called by H. L. Mencken "the Hindenburg of the novel . . . as heavy and formless as Brunhilde") to be the author of such a delightful entertainment as "The Prince Who Was a Thief" (Orna, J'lem) turned into a charming technicolour escapade, full of humour and brightness!

The hero, a baby-prince, is destined to be murdered, but is saved by his assassin, a master crook who brings him up as his son, so that he becomes a prince among thieves. In the end all turns well, of course.

The cast includes two extremely attractive new starlets, Tony Curtis and Piper Laurie. The girl, an expert burglar, has a body as supple as a serpent. This is the most satisfying Arabian Nights fantasy since "The Thief of Baghdad."

Oh Kaye

"Up in Arms" (Hasamir, J'lem) is a welcome revival of Danny Kaye's first movie. Danny is a hypochondriac wheelchair pusher in a hospital and later an absent-minded clown in the army.

FRANGO

JERUSALEM CINEMAS

ARNON: 1) The Third Maccabiah. 2) Desert Hawk. at 10.30 a.m., 3, 6.30 and 8.30 p.m.

EDEN: Singin' in the Rain. Mats. at 10.30 a.m.: 1) They Passed This Way. 2) The Sun Comes Up.

EDISON: A Queen is Crowned, 6.30 and 8 p.m.; Mats. at 10.30 a.m.: 1) The Life of the Beaver. 2) Faithful City; at 3 p.m.: 1) Suzy. 2) The Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II.

HAZAMIR: Up in Arms, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.; Mats. at 10.30: 1) Tarzan's Slave Girl. 2) Laurel and Hardy; at 3 p.m.: 1) Up in Arms. 2) Tarzan's Slave Girl.

ORGIL: Champion at 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.; Mats. at 10.30 & 3 p.m.: Blood in the Sun.

ORION: Les Miserables, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.; Mats. at 10 a.m.: 1) Miraculous Journey. 2) Desert Rats; at 2.45 p.m.: 1) Les Miserables. 2) Long Live Love.

ORNA: The Prince Who Was a Thief, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.; Mats. at 10 a.m.: 1) Bud Abbott and Lou Costello. 2) In the Circus; at 3 p.m.: 1) In the Circus. 2) The Prince Who Was a Thief.

STUDIO: Madness of the Heart, at 3, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.

TEL OR: Cinderella, at 10.30 a.m. and 3, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.

ZION: Son of Paleface, at 10.30 a.m. and 3, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.

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Mr. S. Mizrahi is Chairman of the Society, and Mr. Y. Bar-Zimra is Secretary.

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A full list of the goods for sale can be seen on the notice board at the Haifa Customs House and at Store 11 at Haifa Port.

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The Weather

	*A	B	C	D
Mt. Cana'an	16	28	32	29
Haifa Port	65	24	29	29
Natanya	71	23	30	29
Tel Aviv Port	64	23	27	27
Lydda Airport	39	20	33	32
Jerusalem	32	28	32	30
Beersheba	37	—	36	35
Eilat	40	21	36	35

FORECAST: Sharav in the hill regions ending gradually; sultry in the Plain.

*A) Humidity at 3 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today.

USSR WILL GIVE OIL FOR ISRAEL CITRUS

The Soviet Union wishes to exchange oil for Israel citrus, a Foreign Ministry spokesman confirmed in Jerusalem yesterday. The negotiations are being conducted commercially by the Citrus Marketing Board.

It is not yet known whether the Russians will consent to deal on the basis of hard currency until the laboratory reports on the practicability of the use of Russian petroleum here determine the possibility of barter agreement.

Meanwhile, a barrel of the petroleum is on its way to Israel, the spokesman said.

EXUBERANT YOUTH AT J.N.F. RALLY

From all parts of the country, arriving in trucks, buses, and all manner of conveyances, 4,000 members of pioneer youth movements gathered in the amphitheatre of the Conquest of the Desert Exhibition yesterday to celebrate the Jewish National Fund's Youth Day.

The youngsters were excited and not too well-disciplined, and often the programme was forced to proceed above the whispers, rustling and whistles of the crowd, whose ages ranged from 9 to 21 years.

Rina Nikova and her dancers presented a programme of Biblical and folk dances, and the Jerusalem Workers' Choir of the local Labour Council, directed by Yohanan Bein, opened and closed the rally with selected musical numbers.

New School Syllabus Not Yet Ready

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Elementary schools will continue to use their "trend" curricula for some weeks after State education is officially launched, as the new syllabus is still in the draft stage.

It appears unlikely that children due to enter the first grade this term will know their future school by Sunday. Registration of six-year-olds ends today, and it will take some time before the local authorities allocate pupils to schools in accordance with the economy mergers advocated by local education inspectors.

The notification by parents wishing to opt out of State education had to be repeated in many instances, as the original instructions issued by the Education Ministry contained ambiguities which made it impossible to calculate the numbers of children involved. Many schools of the Agudat Yisrael trend achieved the two-thirds majority necessary for opting out on the strength of one or two votes. In such cases, all the votes were examined to make sure that no error had occurred.

Teaching will be on the basis of a 30-hour week when schools re-open on Sunday. At a final meeting in Tel Aviv yesterday to discuss the Minister of Education's request to lengthen the teaching week to 32 hours, the Council of the Teachers' Association resolved that it was prepared to form a joint committee with the Ministry of Education to enquire into the matter.

RIEGER WITHDRAWS

Professor Eliezer Rieger, Director-General of the Education Ministry, has withdrawn his resignation, which was to have taken effect next November upon the completion of two years of service.

Fewer Work Hours, But More Accidents

TEL AVIV, Monday. — While man-hours in industry in the past three years went down by seven per cent, industrial accidents rose by 30 per cent, Mr. Zvi Berenson, Director-General of the Ministry of Labour said tonight, opening an exhibition of accident prevention posters.

On exhibition at the J.N.F. Hall in Rehov Herman Shapira are posters collected in eleven countries in addition to Israel ones.

"U.S." Moshav Finds Rich Water Source

REHOVOT, Monday. — The best water source in the entire south of the country has been tapped at Moshav Orot, near Beer Tuvia. A well at a depth of 95 metres and yielding 750 cubic metres of water per hour was bored there yesterday. The occasion, coupled with the connection of the moshav to the electrical grid, was celebrated by festivities last night.

Orot is a moshav exclusively of immigrants from the U.S. and 20 additional families are expected from America shortly.

300 Moroccans Want To Come Back Here

The importance of the Jews from Morocco among the immigrants to Israel was stressed yesterday by Mr. I. Raphael, Head of the Jewish Agency Immigration Department, in a report to the Agency Executive in Jerusalem on his recent trip abroad.

Moroccan Jews today constitute the largest single source of immigrants, he pointed out. Moroccan immigration, can rise to 500 a month provided that a serious effort is made to combat assimilation, foster Hebrew education and put the training of youth on a new basis.

Mr. Raphael also stressed the increasingly significant phenomenon of the "returnees" (those who went back to Morocco from Israel, but now wish to return). In Morrocco, there are about 2,000 such "returnees," but 300 of these have formed a special organization to aid them in seeking their way back to Israel.

No Benefits

Those who plan to return, must go through all the formalities and examinations in line with the new selectivity programme, as though new immigrants, Mr. Raphael told *The Jerusalem Post*. They are required to promise not to ask for benefits which they had already received, such as housing loans.

An administrative committee was apointed by the Executive to review the problem of their return. It also approved the composition of the Bureau of the Corporations established with the aid of the Jewish Agency.

Haifa's 'Oldsters' Go on Outing

Jerusalem Post Bureau

HAIFA, Monday. — Haifa was without its old folks today as almost everyone over 55 with a little "wanderlust" left town for the Municipality's "Honour the Aged" outing this morning. This was the third annual happy exodus, first initiated by the Mayor on Succot two years ago.

Today, some 300 cars volunteered by their owners, took them from nine collecting points all over town to tour the country. The various itineraries led North to Safad, South to Tel Aviv and East to Tiberias with visits to points on the way.

The vehicles included private cars, taxis provided by their companies, cars belonging to business firms and institutions, a station wagon of the Bahai community and 20 brand new Kaiser-Frazer cars loaned by the firm.

The oldest passenger was 110-year-old Avraham Romano, a Sabra born in Acre, who enjoyed the trip, and said that he would go again next year, "God willing." The "youngest" passengers were several women who claimed that last year they were still too young to qualify.

On their return to Haifa in the afternoon, the happy travellers were taken to Gan Ha'em, where the President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi came to greet them. The crowded day ended as dusk fell, and all were returned to their homes by the drivers, who were rewarded by the Municipality with a one-month free parking ticket.

100 ELDERLY men and women from the Malben Old Age Home in Natanya were taken on a tour of Natanya and the surrounding area yesterday.

Fishermen Claim Gov't Is Flooding Market

HAIFA, Monday. — Israel's fishing fleet may have to be laid up because the Government is releasing large quantities of imported frozen fish, thus flooding the market, a spokesman for the Fishermen's Organization warned here today.

He stated that 14 tons of local-caught fish are lying in Tnuva cold storage plants because they could not be sold. Another 12 fishing boats, with a catch of 15 more tons, are due back in Haifa before Simhat Torah.

Last week, the Commerce Ministry's Food Control Division had released 40 tons of imported fish to the Haifa market and even more in Tel Aviv. This week another 30 tons were released.

The spokesman appealed for close coordination between the Ministry and the Fishermens' Organization.

Because of the fine catches, the fishermen are selling choice fish at 500-600 pruta per kilogram, and sardines at 250-500 prutat. Fishmongers, however, were not taking them, as the imported frozen fish are easier to handle.

UNSUCCESSFUL TRY

TEL AVIV, Monday (ITIM). — Unknown persons tried unsuccessfully last night to break into the home, in Jaffa, of Nicolai Saba. He was District Officer during the Mandate. Mr. Saba was instrumental in the discovery of the "Murder Inc." group. Among the group's alleged victims was Ahmed Ra'adi, who had been Mr. Saba's servant.

Gov't Disputes P.E.C. Report

LONDON, Monday (INA). — Lord Samuel, Chairman of the Palestine Electric Corporation, stated in his annual review to the Corporation, which is to meet here on Wednesday, that as the cause of the present difficulties in raising capital for financing further expansion of the electricity supply is beyond the control of the Corporation, the Israel Government is to provide funds for the expansion of the undertaking. Against such financing, the Government will receive shares of a special class in Israel currency to be known as "B" Ordinary shares, which rank for dividends after Ordinary and "A" Ordinary capital.

The Government is to guarantee a fixed dividend on Preference capital and an agreed dividend on Ordinary and "A" Ordinary capital of the Corporation.

It is to have an option within an agreed period to purchase Ordinary and "A" Ordinary capital at a price in sterling to be agreed upon or, failing agreement, on the basis of net sterling value of the undertaking.

Negotiations have recently been resumed, and it is hoped, Lord Samuel added, to conclude an agreement for the purchase of all issued Ordinary and Preference shares of the Jerusalem Electric and Public Service Corporation.

The Chairman noted that the Corporation's output in Israel had risen from 532 million units in 1951 to 638 million in 1952. Since the establishment of the State, output had almost trebled.

Gross revenue in 1952 was IL.10,036,754. In 1951 it was IL.5,076,438. But Lord Samuel said, "owing to the loss of several months between devaluation of the Israel pound in February last year and the introduction in July 1952 of the new rates sanctioned by the Government, together with the inadequacy of the new rates, the additional revenue for the year was insufficient to compensate for the increase of 88% in operating expenditure during the year.

"As a result, the operating surplus in 1952 was only IL.451,579 before depreciation — 36% lower than the surplus obtained in 1951."

Capital expenditure during 1952 amounted to nearly IL.10m., the Chairman pointed out, of which over IL.7m. was spent on enlarging the Reading Power Station and most of the balance on a new transformer and station.

SYMPOSIUM ENDS

The symposium on Negev Development held on the grounds of the Conquest of the Desert Exhibition was concluded yesterday after a day and a half of lectures.

Big 4 of Culture Honoured in China

LONDON, Monday (Reuter). — About 1,200 writers, poets, artists and scientists from all parts of China and members of foreign delegations in Peking gathered last night to commemorate the anniversaries of "the four great figures in the world of culture," according to a New China News Agency report.

They paid homage to Chu Yuan, a Chinese poet of the third century B.C.E., Nicholas Copernicus, the Polish astronomer, Francois Rabelais, the mediaeval French writer and physician, and Jose Marti, the Cuban writer and revolutionary.

The delegates are attending the Second National Congress of Writers and Artists.

U.N. Hits Neutrals' Statement to PoW's

MUNSAN, Monday (Reuter). — The U.N. Command in Korea has sent a letter of protest to the Neutral Repatriation Commission accusing it of circulating a "Communist-inspired statement" to the Chinese prisoners of war who have refused to return to their homeland.

Colonel K. Hansen, adviser to the Allied Repatriation Command, said that the U.N. had not been informed of the statement. The Command assumes that the statement was authentic and had been distributed by the Neutral Commission from the nature of its introduction.

Col. Hansen stated that the manner in which the document was distributed was a "violation of the terms of neutrality of the truce agreement." He added that the letter emphasized the desirability of repatriation rather than the principle of free choice, and that its wording, method of presentation and implication all gave the impression that repatriation would be better for the prisoners than non-repatriation.

The paper on which the message had been written was the same as those used by the Chinese forces, he pointed out, but did not say how it had reached the Chinese prisoners.

Jordan Protests Mt. Zion Change

The Jordan Cabinet, at an extraordinary session yesterday morning, decided to send a protest to the U.N. concerning the "transformation by Israel of Nebi Daoud, on Mt. Zion into a synagogue," the Arab News Agency reports. The Jordan authorities claim that this alleged action is in violation of Jerusalem's *status quo*.

Hitler's Adjutant, Valet PoW's in USSR

FRIEDLAND, West Germany, Monday (Reuter). — Hitler's former adjutant, pilot and valet are being held in Russian prison camps, according to German ex-prisoners of war who arrived here today on repatriation from the Soviet Union.

The adjutant, Guentsche, and the valet, Linge, were said to be among prisoners in a camp in the Sverdlovsk district.

The ex-prisoners who arrived at this Lower Saxon town today will be sent home after they have been documented. They form part of a group of 960 men who have been returned to Germany, as the second batch of repatriates under the East German-Soviet agreement of last August. They had been captives for up to 12 years, and had all been sentenced to long prison terms for alleged war crimes or crimes against humanity.

The first group of 598 arrived on Saturday, and were all home by today.

Today's repatriates stated that about 6,000 Germans are still being held at camps in the Sverdlovsk District, which lies on the eastern side of the Ural Mountains.

SOLDIER KILLED

A 19-year-old soldier, Sasson Mizrahi, was killed on Sunday in an accident in the Negev. His body was brought to Jerusalem, where he was buried yesterday with full military honours.

Mizrahi's brother fell at the beginning of the War of Liberation.

Cables in Brief

SPENDING. — Offshore procurements by the U.S. in West Germany and West Berlin have exceeded $40m. in the past two years, the American High Commission has announced.

MISHAAL. — The Egyptian national air line, Misrair, resumed its passenger and mail service to Cyprus yesterday after nearly five months' suspension while modifications were made to its fleet of Vikings.

MINISTER. — Yugoslavia has asked the Hungarian Government to approve a new Minister to Budapest. His name was not disclosed.

IDRISS. — Idriss El Senoussi, King of Libya, arrived in Tunis yesterday en route for Switzerland. He will board the steamship Kairouan today for France and will proceed from there to Lausanne.

Wings for Gadna

TEL AVIV, Monday. — Teenaged Gadna flyers received their wings from Aluf-Mishneh Aktva Aizmon, chief Gadna officer, at Dov Airfield here today on the completion of the 13th flying course for Gadna members this summer. The new pilots have each at least 10 hours flying in piper cubs, including three hours solo. About a fifth of the graduates were girls.

Gadna flyers will be accepted directly to Air Force Flying School when they join the Army on reaching 18. Acting O.C. Air Force, Aluf Mishneh Dan Tolkowsky, was among those present at the ceremony.

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BRITISH STAR WINS SURPRISE TENNIS VICTORY

By AKIVA KALMAN

TEL AVIV, Monday. — Angela Buxton of Great Britain gained a surprise victory over Anita Kantor, United States, in the final of the women's singles of the Fourth Maccabiah tennis competition on the Tel Aviv Maccabi courts, winning comparatively easily in straight sets, 6/3, 6/4. Miss Kantor, who had clinched the mixed doubles with Grant Golden the previous day, said her play was affected by the heat in Israel.

Golden defeated South African's Syd Levy, 2/6, 6/4, 9/7, 6/0, to add a third Maccabiah tennis crown to his bag here. Previously he had been on the winning side in the men's and mixed doubles, thus winning all possible contests he was entered for.

The honours in the table-tennis contest in the men's singles went to Anton Bolgar, of Sweden, when he defeated Israel's I. Finkelstein in straight sets 21/17, 21/13, 21/14, while the other four crowns were gained by Israel. Mrs. Leipnik topped the women's singles section following an all-Israel final in which she beat Mrs. Goldstein, 21/13, 21/19. Mrs. Leipnik gained a "triple crown" when she won the mixed doubles, with Finkelstein, over the British pair, Mrs. Lipman and Sherwood, 21/13, 21/10, and the women's doubles with Miss Ostreicher against Mrs. Lipman (G. Britain) and Goldman (Israel), 21/17, 19/21, 22/20. Thus Israel gained four of the titles.

New Swimming Record

At water polo, in Haifa, South Africa smashed Great Britain to the tune of 18 goals to one, with Seimon netting seven, and Yach, six. In the swimming events Rosenthal of the U.S. set a new Maccabi world record in the 100 metres men's freestyle preliminaries, clocking the excellent time of 59.6 seconds, lowering the record of 60.8 by 1.2 seconds. M. Bonin, South Africa, who came second, also beat the record in timing 60.6.

The "tough" sports titles — wrestling (Graeco-Roman style) and weightlifting — were evenly distributed among all the participating countries, with Denmark, Finland and Argentina in the picture alongside Israel, the U.S., South Africa and Canada. In the wrestling, Canada's Olympic star Fred Oberlander overcame Israel's Berkovitz in three minutes 40 seconds for the heavyweight crown. Lou Baise, of South Africa, flyweight freestyle title holder, defeated Joseph Shalom (Israel) on points. Denmark got the featherweight and lightweight championships with wins by Baarde and Keise Leisel, the former over Misrahi (Israel) and the latter against Leibovitz (Canada) both on points.

M. Sternberg, Belgium, the holder of the welterweight title, was unable to appear owing to an injury sustained in a previous fight, and Rubin, Finland, was declared the winner in this section. Israel gained two new titles in this sport, when Bakshi topped the bantamweights, beating Levy (Turkey) on points, and Berkovitz was the best light-heavyweight on a win over Rosenfeld, Belgium, on points. Argentine's Geneuth beat Steinberg, U.S. on points for the middleweight crown. In the Third Maccabiah, Denmark won six titles, Israel two and Argentine one.

South Africa Retains

South Africa, holders of three weight-lifting championships in the Third Maccabiah, gained the same number this time, with the contest extended to seven divisions from the previous five. M. Roup retained his featherweight title; Tager gained the light-heavyweight championship formerly gained by his countryman, Bloomberg, and Lou Trope clinching for the second successive time the heavyweight title, with Israel's Helman second and Henry Wittenberg, U.S., third. Great Britain retained the lightweight crown, held by B. Helfgott, when he beat all comers in this section, in front of Hyman Cohen, U.S., and added a second title to their bag when Allan Conway beat Shalom Rozen in the bantamweight class. Richard Geller, U.S., won the middleweight contest in front of South Africa's B. Sinclair to retain the American title, gained by F. Spellman last time. Argentina's gold medal came through Spielshiffer, who came out first in the heavy (middle) class.

2,500 See Swim Records Topple

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Monday. — Jewish swimmers from many parts of the world provided enthusiasts with keen competitive swimming, top-class diving and thrilling water polo in the final two days of the Fourth Maccabiah.

Among the most outstanding performers were Ponin (S. Africa) who showed remarkable versatility in clinching the men's 400-metre and 1,500 metre freestyle races, both in record time, coming second in the 100-metre free-style and third in the 100-metre backstroke.

Kahn of the U.S. swam an amazing 400 metres back-stroke and came within 4/10 of a second of the world record. He clipped 10 seconds off the Maccabi world record. Monsein (U.S.) just beat Bonin for second place. Another fine American performance was that of Rosenthal, the first man to swim 100 metres in under a minute in Israel.

Among the ladies, the Israel girl, 15-year-old Shoshana Ribner, proved a sensation in this Maccabiah. She showed remarkable dash to win the 100 metres free-style from Bonder-Rubby, Fisher, and Halter-Nador. Her 1:13.7 broke the Maccabiah and Israel record.

The 400-metre free-style final was an exciting race. Fisher (U.S.) led till the half-way mark. There, the Chilean Bonder-Ruby took command, with Nador and Ribner going well.

With a lap to go, Nador took the lead with Ribner coming through strongly. In the last 20 metres, with the crowd on its feet, Ribber outpaced the English girl to complete the popular personal double, establishing a new Maccabi and Israel record.

Grossman (U.K.) smashed the world Maccabi record in the 400 metre backstroke, beating Bonder-Ruby and Nador in 1:25.8.

CLOSING DAY TRAFFIC RULES

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV, Monday. — Transport and traffic arrangements for the closing ceremony of the fourth Maccabiah at the Ramat Gan stadium tomorrow afternoon are similar to those for the opening last week. Special buses will begin operating from noon from Rehov Arlosoroff, corner Dizengoff; Rehov Mikveh Israel near the Main Post Office; and from Rehov Ben Yehuda, corner Shalom Aleichem.

The ceremony begins at 2.30, and not as published on the tickets.

An extra attraction added to the programme tomorrow is the appearance of Perry O'Brien, the American olympic shot-put champion and one of the world's best discus throwers, who will give a demonstration. The air display will be staged by the Israel Aero Club.

The British Ambassador and Lady Evans and the Australian Minister and Mrs. Fuhrman this evening held a reception for visiting sportsmen from Commonwealth countries. The Hapoel sports organization held a reception this evening for the heads of the visiting sports delegations.

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THE meeting in Jerusalem yesterday between Mr. Sharett and General Bennike will be regarded as helpful, if only, as the joint communique indicates, because the UN Chief of Staff is weighing up the reasons of the Israel Government for going on with the Jordan project, against his own request to interrupt or halt it. There is to be another conference in a few days, and the Israel public anxious that there should be no interference with work vital to hydroelectric development in the North, will await the results of the talks with the patience becoming an important issue.

JORDAN PROJECT TALKS IN JERUSALEM

That it was raised by the Head of the Truce Supervision Organization is of greater moment than that it had been inspired by Syrian pressure. As for the pressure and threats, they will, on the part of Israel, be accorded no more weight than similar fulminations in the past. But no one in this country will wish lightly to dismiss the considered judgment of the U.N. Representative, let alone do anything to bring General Bennike's authority or U.N. prestige into question. Mr. Sharett's Note to the General on Saturday night is the best evidence, both in its exhaustiveness and persuasiveness, that we are resolved to appeal the judgment and to bring the Head of the T.S.O. to see the justice of our case, and that there is at least hope that in the end this will prevail.

Advice from Washington or any other friendly quarter that work should cease in the meantime is no help towards a solution of the problem aroused by Syria's dog-in-the-manger policy. For one thing, it is impossible for Israel to overlook the fundamental implication contained in General Bennike's ruling, which would make future development projects in Israel dependent on the agreement of Israel's seemingly implacable enemies. Today, without a scintilla of justification, the complaint from Syria stems from work close to the border of an Arab State; tomorrow, a pretext will be found for halting work of essential relevance to Israel's development at some other point in the country, all that is required being a very loud and bellicose threat by some pseudo-aggrieved Arab State.

A suspicion is hardening into certainty that some quarters regard as fair that the friendship of the Arab States should be had at whatever cost to Israel. Those so minded would do well to consult the more enlightened elements in the British Foreign Office, whom experience has taught that such a policy is foredoomed to failure. As for our friends in the United States, who have yet to learn this lesson, it might have been thought that it has long been comprehended by its generous and inspired foreign aid programme that true friendship and understanding can only be bought by an honest attempt at redeeming the backward areas of the world and helping them on a basis of common respect and equality. President Eisenhower has made this plain to Senator McCarthy, and there is no reason to think that Mr. Dulles, with whom Ambassador Eban discussed the Jordan question the other day, is less acutely aware of this truth.

In the end, Israel might do well to insist that the matter be brought before the full Security Council, where there is ample understanding of the correct juridical procedure to follow and ample precedent to justify the stand taken by General Bennike's predecessors and Dr. Ralph Bunche, that nothing in the Armistice Agreements can limit in any way Israel's right to proceed with any work of development it desires within its legal boundaries, even including the demilitarized zones, whose peaceful progress the civilized world is sure to welcome. If the matter of sovereignty should arise, Israel's position is that the function of the U.N. is limited to seeing to it that the rights of the civilian population are respected, and that the T.S.O. has no administrative responsibility in those areas.

Nagib Reveals Seriousness of Counter-Revolutionary Movement

Wafdist Leaders Attacked

By M. J. GORDON

CAIRO. — THE event of last week in Cairo was the monster rally; a gathering variously estimated at between 100,000 and 150,000 people in Republican Square, at which President Nagib, Colonel Nasser and Major Saleh Salam admitted the existence of plots and conspiracies to destroy the present regime.

Nagib spoke twice, once at the beginning and again at the end. Finally, the President and all his colleagues on the Revolution Council stood up hand in hand in token of unity and sang the liberation song, while the enormous crowd joined in.

The Egyptian people were for the first time authoritatively told what they have long suspected. There has been much talk of rumour-mongering, telephone calls are still tapped, censorship flourishes and the secret police is most active. Now comes the explanation: there is a counter revolutionary movement big enough to be dealt with in this public way. Clearly the army is still in complete control of the situation and it may be that the speeches at the great rally are an indication that the counter revolution has been scotched. But a great many Egyptians are, in private, expressing the view that it has by no means been killed.....

Wafd and British

Nagib went on:

"Among the rumours spread by the imperialists in cooperation with all biased reactionary elements whose illegal ambitions have been crushed for ever was one to the effect that there is dissention among members of the revolution command. I declare that all the circumstances and conditions through which we pass daily ... are too great to allow for difference or dissention."

The public has taken this to mean that the British are intriguing to bring back Farouk, that the Wafd underground has got moving and that Nagib and his colleagues are afraid. It is assumed that this also explains why charges have been and are being prepared against Wafdist leaders. The Wafd's nationwide organization still exists although party funds have been confiscated and the party officially dissolved.

"The Government's determination (General Nagib continued) has not weakened, but there are people on whom rumours had an effect. This is because we are still in need of a great deal of education and of guidance.

"Are you prepared (he asked the crowd) for this? I expect no Yes or No from you for it must be Yes, whether you want it or not.

"We must make every sacrifice; the only way is through unity and solidarity. The Prophet said: 'Whoever seeks dissention among you when you are united deserves to be killed.'"

The crowd cheered the President as he ended his speech and shouted their approval of the clear warning he had given that the regime is ready to use force to crush any attempt at counter-revolt.

Seven Armies

The Minister of National Guidance, Major Saleh Salam, delivered a very long speech. He admitted that the revolution leaders had let out of prison far too many of those taken into custody in the early days of the revolution. It was, he said, the biggest mistake made by the men of the revolution.

He went on to explain that on the day after the revolution, that is two days before Farouk's abdication, hosts of people went to the Palace to sign the Royal Ceremonial Register to show their loyalty.

The Minister went on to recall:

"A foreign correspondent once asked an Arab leader how was it that the Jewish army defeated seven Arab armies. The Arab leader's reply was: 'Because there were seven armies. Had there been one army Israel would have been smothered overnight.'

"France had seven political parties when it collapsed in 1940. But what did France do afterwards? Did she combat the occupying German forces with seven commands? No! She was united under one command and struggled until she regained her freedom."

Major Salam asked the crowd:

"Do you know that your army sent to war on May 15, 1948, to fight in Palestine did not possess vehicles to transport munitions, arms and drinking water? Do you know that were it not for God's help in sending us a number of Palestinians who gave us their cars on hire it would have been impossible for the army to move forward one inch?"

While Major Salam was stating facts which were made evident at the time by the requisitioning of motor vehicles to help out the army transport, he failed to mention that the march into Palestine was wildly acclaimed by all classes of the population in Egypt where foreign observers noted how high was the morale and how widespread the conviction that the Jews would be annihilated in a matter of days.

Then going on to the evacuation issue he said:

"I hereby declare that we shall never accept joint defence in any form. That is our pledge and we shall stick to it. ...

"I also declare that we shall never agree to join any alliance as a condition of evacuation.

"Our only alliance is that which we have with our brothers the Arabs... We support this alliance but we shall seek something even bigger.

"We shall seek to establish a single Arab Nation, unified in every sense of the word, in order that it may stand on its feet, strong and to be feared by the major powers of the world."

He then returned to the attack on the old politicians; particularly the Wafdist leaders when they were in power, whom he roundly accused of weakness in dealing with the British. He attacked in particular their alleged willingness to accept a series of alliances with Britain, Australia, South Africa, Canada, New Zeeland and other unspecified countries grouped under the phrase "etc".

Lament for Libya

He went on to accuse the Wafd of having sold out Libya by suggesting to the British that Cyrenaicia, together with Malta and Cyprus, could make good the loss of the Canal Zone. Clearly unconcerned with Malta and Cyprus he kept his lamentations for Libya. "God alone knows the efforts we have exerted for the sake of Libya and the services we have rendered her."

It is not clear for whom this bromide was intended but Libya's Prime Minister has already made it clear just how little the Egyptians did — and how late.

A long attack followed on the lick-spittle adulation of Farouk which was a commonplace in Egypt until the abdication, but among the many things he failed to mention was the fact that General Nagib himself called one of his sons Farouk. But that, of course, was before he saw the light.

Major Salam then read out the text of what he called an important document which, having fallen into the hands of the Nagib Government, revealed "the strong alliance existing between foreign imperialism and the reactionary traitors in Egypt."

Going on to explain the apparent delay in achieving reforms the Major said:

"It would take days to enumerate the residue of the hated past with which we are confronted."

Lt. Colonel Nasser's speech which followed was much less detailed but also emphasized the crimes of the opposition and contained dark hints of what was likely to happen to the traitors.

The general impression among the large numbers of politically conscious Egyptians whose sole desire is to live in peace and get on with their work and the care of their families, is that something has happened, serious enough to give the Government an uncomfortable jolt, but that the Government is still master of the situation.

Former Egyptian Premier, Ibrahim Abdel Hady, arrives at Police Headquarters escorted by Military Police, after he and 12 other Egyptians prominent under the Farouk regime, were arrested in their homes. Express Photo

Personality Portrait

Strong-Man from India

DAVID Abraham, who is now touring Israel after attending the Fourth Maccabiah, is the unusual combination of international weight-lifting judge and film star. A Bombay Jew, he has acted character parts in over 100 films in Hindustani, interpreting parts of Indians "from cooks to Kings," as he explains.

Mr. Abraham sees no contradiction in his weight-lifting and film duties, and nothing strange in a Jew playing the part of an Indian, and being known throughout the length and breadth of the sub-continent merely by his screen name of "David." A member of the ancient Bnei Israel community, he began physical training at an early age. His father was an amateur wrestler and young David also tried to build himself up into a "strong man." He took up weight lifting for body building and when he thought he was too old (he is now only 44) for lifting the heavy weights himself, he was granted the international certificate as international judge. His sports duties brought him to Helsinki, as judge in the last Olympic Games, and all over Asia judging continental events. His films have taken him to the United States also, as member of an official film delegation invited to America, by the U.S. Government.

Film Career

Mr. Abraham explains that his film career came about more or less by chance. He had always been interested in amateur theatricals, but at the request of his family (he has a brother who is a doctor and another brother who is head of a large Jewish school in Bombay and lecturer in Hebrew philology at Bombay University) he studied law. "For years after I was graduated," Mr. Abraham says, 'no clients came my way, and I finally asked a theatrical friend what I could do. I was told that a film producer was looking for an actor, and I applied for the job. And there I was, and I've gone on from there."

His physical training has helped him in his film work, Mr. Abraham says. Film making in India, mainly in Hindustani but with a few films also made in English, is spread over the country and locations are often distant, and with difficult climatic conditions. In Bombay, also, the hours are irregular. Before coming to Israel for the Maccabiah he was working on a film in a Bombay street until four o'clock in the morning — the only time when the otherwise teeming streets are "more or less empty" — and took the plane for Lydda a couple of hours later. The completion of the film awaits Mr. Abraham's return after the Maccabiah and his present tour of the country. The visitor brought with him six short films on Indian life and music, which he hopes to show here before his return.

The survival of the Bnei Israel community, Mr. Abraham says, is a normal facet of Hindu life. The Hindu has always been prepared to accept any other person's religion, and there has never been any form of religious intolerance in Hindu India.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS SECTION, MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

Sources and Resources of the Jordan

Greater Volume of Water Rises in Israel

A FAMOUS sightseeing spot in the picturesque German town of Donaueschingen is the 'Spring of the Danube', rising in a circular pool within the grounds of the former princes' residence. For a consideration, tourists are allowed to close the iron sluicegate and for a few minutes enjoy the illusion of dry land under the bridges of Vienna and Budapest, of thousands of steamers and barges lying dry on the river.

The recent Syrian threat to divert the Jordan headwaters of Hasbani and Banias is somewhat reminiscent of this naive conception. To begin with the Jordan has three sources, the Hasbani, the Dan and the Banias, of which the Dan rising from Tel el Kadi, undisputably within Israel territory, produces twice the volume of the Banias stream which emerges from the famous grotto beyond the Syrian border and flows with considerably more volume than the Hasbani which cascades down from the Lebanese Marj Ayoun.

The Lebanese have not yet joined the Syrians in their ultimatum and it is not easy to see how they would utilize the dammed up waters of the Hasbani in the swampy plain of the Marj Ayoun. The Syrians would have to construct an artificial lake east of the border if they wanted to stop the Banias rivulet from crossing into Israel; if they wanted to prevent their lake from spilling over into Israel they would then have to pump the water into the mountain valley — all at considerable expense.

For the sake of the argument, however, let us assume that both Arab states decide to drown their already scarce pastures in order to spite us. A simple calculation shows that even in this case the Jordan would lose less than 40 per cent of its volume. Considered from the viewpoint of the Huleh drainage scheme this would prove so unmitigated a blessing, that we should implore our neighbours to enforce their ultimatum — but for the sore point that the whole thing is a miscalculation anyway.

Herculean Task

The waters of the three Jordan sources are as far as the sacred river's final volume of water is concerned no more decisive than the outlet of the spring in Donaueschingen to the waters of the Danube. North of Lake Kinneret the Jordan is fed by enormous amounts of water which the torrent of bare and eroded escarpments of the Syrian highlands empty into the Hueh basin in spring and winter. Whoever has looked up from the Huleh to those enormous sombre hillsides, broken up by rubble-filled dry wadis, will know that to plant forests on the foothills of Mount Hermon and dam the torrents flowing into the Huleh, would be a task for generations.

The gigantic greyish brown escarpment is divided half way up by a lighter horizontal line, the life-line that makes this area so sensitive a spot in world politics — the Aramco pipeline, emerging out of the Syrian desert and leading to the Syrian oilports just north of the border. Syria's true threat is not to interrupt the flow of water into the Jordan but to precipitate incidents which might influence the flow of oil to the Mediterranean. The Syrian attitude is reminiscent of those heated debaters in a pub who are perfectly sure that the waiters will interfere before they come to blows. But such a bluff can be called and much Jordan water will flow into Lake Kinneret before the Hasbani, the Banias or the Armaco oil flow are interrupted.

Th. F. M.

Readers' Letters

HEALTHILY ORTHODOX

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Your issue of September 3 quotes a Ministry of Education announcement that permission has been granted to "ultra-Orthodox" schools to provide for instruction to their pupils on laws and customs of the festivals.

While I believe that both the applicants and the Ministry are to be congratulated on what would appear to be a most sensible step, I cannot help expressing my strong resentment to your using the words "ultra-Orthodox" whenever readers of your paper are referred to the Aguda or anything smacking of sympathy with the aims of that movement. If the word "Orthodox" in this connection is meant to stand for right or traditionally-right thinking, then "ultra-Orthodox" to the ordinary reader can only mean something altogether beyond the reach of normal or healthy thought.

Yours etc.,

(Mrs.) JENNY E. BREUER

Tel Aviv, September 3.

MISSING STORKS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I was very interested in your article of August 9, about Austria's missing storks. I am sure they have come to Israel.

At sunrise every morning for the past month, I have seen a swarm of about 50 storks coming from the direction of Ramat Yohanan, and flying in the direction of Kiryat Bialik and Kurdani, where they may be seen feeding in the dry fields. In the late afternoon, they fly back. This is the first time I have seen storks here in the summer in the 18 years I have lived here. I should be interested to know their reason for staying here, and whether they are breeding.

Yours, etc.,

KARTE KAHN

Kfar Ata, September 1.

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